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DRY GOODS MARKET.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—The slump in cotton has made no difference in the cotton goods market, except that buyers show a more conservative attitude, but manufacturers show no inclination to weaken from thir position and are inclined to believe that the slump is anything but temporary. Even at the new prices touched, however, it is not believe there can be any confessions from the pri os made, many of which are below a lice basis.

WILMINGTON N. C. Feb. 4.—SPIRITS
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TURPENTINE—Firm at \$1.50; receipts. 70
casis. Rosin—Firm at \$1.50; receipts. 222 barrels. Tan—Firm at \$1.40; rocceipts. 35; barerels. Tan—Firm at \$1.40; rocceipts. 35; barerels. Tan—Firm at \$1.42.50; 1.25; rece pts.

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MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF RICHMOND, FEB. 4, 1994.

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James river landings, mercandise and passengers, Virginia Navigation Company,
Schooner Gertrude L. Trundry, Barton, New
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PORT NEWPORT NEWS, FEB. 4, 1904.

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Kanawha, Liverpool.

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THE OUTLOOK IS

SHARP BREAK IN PRICES

Stocks Move Up and Down and Apparently in Sympathy in Stocks.

CLOSING WAS RATHER WEAK

Revival of War Talk Responsible for Sharp Recission in Prices Just at Close.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Fob. 1.—Stock market
Operations to-day were under the same
constraint as for several days past, and the movement of the prices again became wavering and uncertain after yesterday's decided downward movement. The sharp wavering and uncertain after yesterday's decided downward movement. The sharp break in the autoning, while prices of cotton were sumpling, and the subsequent raily with cotton pointed to a sympathy between the two movements, which leaves little doubt that the collapse in cotton as viewed with more or less apprehension in the street. The general apprehension that the long deferred crisis in the Russo-dapanese contest was at last at hand was a factor in the stagnation in stocks here, as well as in foreign stock markees. The further jump in grain and the drop in cotton are the empirical indications of a warilke outcome. The most important event of the Gay to the financial markets was the ten days notice given by the Secretary of the Treasury for payment of 20 per, cent, of government deposits with national banks. This calls for about \$30,000,000, payable in New York. As to the effect on the money market of these withdrawals, it is clearly dependent upon the skill with which the banking in connection with the payment is carried through There is a general belief that New York banks are to be made dopositaries on behalf of the foreign steckholders of these banks have made extensive investments in loreign exchange altered the sharp recession in prices just at the close, which was therefore rather weak. Buying of United States Steel with, \$2,710,600.

were irregular. Total sales, par

Total vales of stocks to-day were 499,700 shares.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Money on call casy, 1 1-2 to 2 per cent; closing bid 1 1-2, offered at 3 per cent. Time loans slightly firmer; sixty days 3 1-2 to 4 per cent; ninety days 4 to 1 1-4; six months 4 1-4 to 4 1-2. Prime mercantile paper 4 1-2 to 5 1-4 per cent. Sierling exchange inn, then steady, with actual business in backets' bills at 44.850 to 44.85.66 for demand, and at 44.850 to 44.85.66 for days. Posted rates 44.83 1-2 to 48.8 and 31.8 to 44.86 1-2. Commercial bills 44.82 5-8 to 84.82 3-4. Bar, sliver 55 1-2. Mexican dollars 42 3-4.

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET. Richmond, Va., Feb. 4, 1904. SALES

Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co. preferred-1X shares at 105%; 2 shares at 106%. Atlantic Coast Line preferred-19 shares at Atlantic Coast Line common-to shares at Atlantic Coast Line common as 3415.

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BTATE SECURITIES.

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Carolina Chemical com . . . 199 311

Car. C. Co. Col. Tr. 5 p. c. . . . 543 BALTIMORE STOCK MARKET.

PALTINORE, MD., Feb. 4.—Seablard Air Line common, 8% bid; do. profei red. 16%, Sea-bard 4s, not quoted. Atlantic C.ast Li.e com-con, 10/61094; do. preferred. 10861094. COTTUN MARKETS.

COTTUN MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—The cotton market opened week at a decline of diga. point, on the old and tage point, accompanied by the wildest excitement and confus on. The fat that heavy huying orders had, been received here from New Urleans just heloro the close last hight and the firm shown of the New Orleans market in the lane trading had leed to exceed any huying orders had, been received here from New Urleans just heloro the close last hight and the firm shown, of the New Orleans market in the lace trading had leed to expected. The control of the last lead to expect l

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12.31; October, 12.41 bid.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 4.—COTTON—After opening quict to-day the cotten mail: the ratio golden represents of solers. Selling orders came in from practically every part of the world and a large and excit a bus ness was done. The greatest changes between the highest and lowest were: February 40 points, March and April 43, April and May 48, May and June 50, June and July 41, July and August 59 and August and September 43. In the afternoon the market was a times lively and excited. Fuctuat ons, were not 10 great as during the early stallone but that 10,000 bales of May and 11, when and 11 to great as during the carry stallone but that 10,000 bales of May and 15,50, in the lattraing the transaction of the form of

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New York, Feb. 4.—FLOUR—Firmly held, but quiet. Minnesons patent, 34.843.18. Ryspiour—Firm. Buckets, 18.843.18. Ryspiour—R PRODUCE MARKET.

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CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 4.—All cereals made new high record marks to-day. A.tive buying on the apparous certainty of war was the cause. May all the cause of the state of the state

The leading futures ranged as follows: Open. High. Low. Close. CCITN-NG. 2. 99
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Correspondence invited.

BALTIMORE, MD., Feb. 4.—FLOUR—Firm and unchanged. Wheat—Dull and hi her; soot, contract and the month 972974ac; No. 2 red, western, 934c. Corn—Firm, but quiet; so tand the month, 972974ac; Corn—Firm, but quiet; so tand the month, 972975c. Cols.—Firm, No. 2 white, 475424c. Rys—Firm No.—Firm No. 2 white, 475424c. Rys—Firm No. 126,20c.; tdo, ter-Steady 197414c. Eggs, Cheese and Sugar—Steady and unchanged.

RICHMOND GRAIN MARKET. Richmond, Va., Feb. 4, 1904.

CORN - (Va.) bag lots	WHEAT— Longberry (car lots)	1.00 @	1.02 1.02 1.02 1.02 1.00
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RICHMOND STOCK MARKET. HGGS—Receipts, 1.7% head. Market logisco-lower. Good hogs, 5554c; most sails, around 5tic; fat shoats, 44/55c; rough hogs, 4674fc. SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 315, head. Market steady. Good sheep, 44, 154c; common to fair, 34/674c; lambs, 64/674c. Prospects fair for all kinds of stock.

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CHICAGO, H.Li., Feb. 4.—CATTLE—Receipts, 8,000 head, Prime, steady; others lower. Good to prime steers, \$,05.9; por to medium, \$1.294,80; stockers and feeder, \$2.2509, 4.10; cows, \$1.004,25; helfors, \$24.00; canners, \$1.5062,20; dults, \$1.7562,10; calves, \$3.007,55; 11099—Receipts to-day, \$7,000 head; to-morr.w., \$5,000 head. Mixed and butches, \$4.506,00; good to choice heavy, \$4.0065,10; rough heavy, \$3.007,05; light, \$4.304,475; butto of tale, 4.806, 5.00; Sheep—Receipts, 15,000 head, \$1.809,00; allows allows and standards for strong, Good to ch of wetliners, \$443,400; feel to choice mixed, \$3.509,00; 4.75; Western hance, \$3.005,00; native lambs, \$4.70g, 4.75; Western lambs, \$1.606,00.

Naturino and St. 15.436.00.

BALTIMORE, MD., Feb. 4.—LIVE PIOS—Pigs at from 1541.50 appiece, according to size, quality and condition; sheats, \$232.50 appiece. CALVES—Choice, light veals, per p. und 6449.76.; good veal, per pound, 6456.2; por condense of the condition of the co

NEW YORK, Peb. 4.—BEEVES—No receipts; no sales reported. Dressed beef, stuady; city dressed, mative sides, general sales, 797-8, per pound. Calves—Receipts, & Lead, voils ratedlow, barely steady; city dressed veater of the period of the control o

UNION STOCK YARDS, PITTSBURG, PA.
Feb. 4.—CATTLES—Supply light; market
steady. Choine, 85,10%2.55; prime, 14,5515.09,
fair, 33,093.45. ii gs-Receipts, 1,600 head.
Market higher. Prime heavy, 55,39%5.25; mediums, 34,565.30; heaty. york rs. 5,257.81;
light yorkers 55,15%5.20; plgs, 1525.19; r ugils,
3,5094.70. Sheep—Supply light; market steady.
Prime wethers, 81,50%1.65; culls und common,
323.00; choice lambs, 32,23%6.40; ven, calves,
47,59%2.00.

47.50785:00.

CINCINNATI O. Fob. 4.—HOGS—Active at \$5.50755:20. Cattle—Quiet at \$2.55694:00 Sheep—Steady at \$5.75694:0. Lamba—Steady at \$1.50% 6.00.

MISCELLANEOUS MARKETS.

PEANUT MARKET.

PETICIRSBURG, VA., Feb. 4-PEANUTSSpanish variety are quoted at 1.671, per
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prime, \$4,6724c; prime, 2248c; common. 2.10

OF CATTLE

Seem to Show.

The following article from the Breeders' Gazette will prove of interest to every cattle raiser:

eattle raiser:
To the Gazette: An editorial in your journal some time ago called attention to the excessive movement of cattle from the feeding districts to market and inquired whether the cattle were raised in the corn belt or not, and if so, whether there is still another big supply being

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Calves, both farm and

States during the ten-year period, 18901900. To' the casual observer, however,
the census reports appear to show that
the number of cattle in the United States
has increased from 57,678,792 in 1890 to
67,822,336 in 1900. This is a delusion as the
reports of the eleventh census fall to
include 14,533,327 calves upon farms and
1,630,858 calves upon ranges in its grand
total of the cattle in the United States
at that time. Therefore, instead of an
apparent gain of 10,173,544 in the ten-year
period, the figures actually chronicle a
loss of 6,524,671 bend full told.

In the face of the excessive merketings of cattle for the past three years
these figures seem to be impossible, but
the anomaly is easily explained. Hundreds of smaller towns which four and
five years ago butchered their own beef
at the slaughter-houses of their home
butcher shops now use chilled beef
shipped from the large 'packing centers. This, of course, means that the
stock yards receipts at these packing
centers have been augmented to a proportional extent. Moreover, recent and
rapid growth of the "baby beef" fad has
been no small factor in swelling the
stock yards receipts. A nearly normal
supply of older cattle increased by a
rush of yearlings will suffice to make a
real shortage appear to be a surplus
for two or three years; still every one
knows it is but a question of four or
five years until the inroads upon the
yearlings will have depleted the supply
of older cattle far below the normal limit.

Pike county, Mo.

Ninth District Republicans.

His Neck Broken.

1904 DIRECTORY will be ready March 1st. All persons who have moved re-cently or intend to move, will pleasy phone or write or call and give us

THE SUPPLY

Writer in Breeders' Gazette Explains It Is Not as Bad as It Looks.

ARE DECEPTIVE FIGURES

Decrease in Number of Cattle, Not an Increase, as Figures

raised there to take their place.

There never was and never can be but one reliable source of information as to one reliable source of information as the number of cattle in the corn belt, and that is the United States census. The number of cattle in the United States in 1890, according to the eleventh census, was as follows:

15,333,09 States during the ten-year period, 1890-1900. To the casual observer, however,

It. During the fall of 1902 the entire population of the corn-belt became infected with the "cattle-buying fever" and such a movement of cattle through the stock yards never was witnessed before-largely a movement to the feed-lots. Again during the fall of 1903 the entire population of the corn-belt became infected with the "cattle-selling fevor" and the record movement of cattle through the stock yards was again surpassed-largely a movement to the slaughter-houses. ly a movement to the slaughter-houses. Thus the real condition of the cattle

After a general review of the weather conditions prevailing during January, the builetin says of Virginia, North and South Carolina:

Virginia.—Richmond: Protracted cold weather and want of adequate show protection until closing days of month caused further injury to wheat, cats. rye and clover, and cultook for these crops over State very unfavorable; no plowing for pring crops done; some tobacco stripped and marketed about middle of month.

North Carolina.—Raleigh: Conditions of winter wheat and cats generally poor; as January was fry and cold until about the 26th, much late sown wheat failed to germinate and has perished; winter oats were also bady. Irozen out; last decade was more favorable, with sufficient rain and show coye; ing at close, lebiling in some improvement in crops.

South Carolina.—Columbia: Month colder and drier than usual, with a few warm days, during which December sown wheat germinated and cumo up; oats remain small, although not winter killed to acy great extent; too cold for truck; very little plowing done; Western counties had some protection at close of month. ly a movement to the slaughter-houses. Thus the real condition of the cattle situation has been obscured for two whole years by an abnormal, but universal, temperament pervading the feeding-districts; a condition which may not occur again in half a century.

The delusion of 1902 was caused by an \$1-2 cent steer market. The delusion of 1903 was caused by an uncommented-on statistical report from the Department of Agriculture, which was sent out to correspondents in every township in every county in every township in every county in every State of the Union, asserting that the number of cattle in the United States had increased from 41,992,414 in 1900 to 67,804,022 in 1901. Of course, the estimate of 43,902,414 for 1900 was based upon the report of the cleventh census, in which neither calves upon farms or ranges nor town cows were included; which the claves upon farms and ranges and town cows were included.

With this explanation, it can readily

and ranges and town cows were included.
With this explanation, it can readily be seen that what appeared to be a bugbear to the beef producer was, in fact, a result of the department's bravity in the explanation of the figures which it put out. Notwithstanding the severe fucutations in the cattle market during the past three years a normal action of the rule of supply and aemand is now beginning to mark the trade and the future seems full of promise to the cattleman. S. O. CRAIG.

Bedford County Land Owner

Weds His Sister's Nurse.

NORFOLK, VA., Feb. 4.—As the culmination of as spretty a romance as ever happened in real life, a wedding was solomized here this atternoon, in which the principals were a Northern woman and a nurse; the latter a wealthy land-owner, a bacreior, who, being capitivated after a short acquaintance, proposed marriage, was accepted and married, all within a month.

The bride of to-day was Miss Mary Waldron Cooney, formerly of Hoston, who graduated as a nurse at Bl. Vincent's Hopstal, this city, and J. Robert Nichols, of Bedford City, which is in the southwestern part of the State, The greats of honor were co-graduates of the bride. Ninth District Republicans.

(Sneeigh to The Times-Dispetch.)
BRISTOL, VA., Feb. 4.—The Republican Executive Committee of the Ninth District, in response to a call of Chairman Sturt Lindsey, this afternoon fixed Thursday. April 7th, as the date for holding a convention to elect delegates and alternates to the National Republican Convention, and for the further purpose of nominating a candidate for district elector. The convention will be held in Bristol.

It seems practically settled that District Chairman Lindsey will be one of the Delegates to the National Convention. neests or nonor were co-graduates of the bride.

A month ago Miss Cooney, that was called to Lynchburg to nurse a sixter of the groom. Alss Nichols was quite ill, but the trained nurse blought her back to health. Mr. Nichols was at the home of his sister, and there met Miss Cooney. It was a case of love at irrst sight. The groom is wealthy and owns considerable land in the Valley of Virginia.—Philade phia Enquirer.

(Saecial to The Times-Dispatch.)

BRISTOL, VA., Feb. 4.—A telephone message from Bloomingdale, this county, states that Melvin Hess, a popular farmer, was histantly killed there in a rundway. His team ran flown a steen hill, when he was thrown headlong from the wagon against a tree. His neck was broken and his body manied, having been caught between the wagon and tree. He is survived by his wife and two small children.

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WILD BREAK

IN COTTON On Vague War Rumor Prices Went Down Until May Was

\$9.00 a Bale Cheaper. MAD SCENE ON EXCHANGE

Hundreds of Thousands of Bales of Cotton Thrown Into Ring by Brokers.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 4.-About the worst break in the history of cotion futures trading in New Orleans occurred to-day, when on vague war rumor, prices were sent down until they were from 168 to 180 points lower than the close of yesterday, and May was \$0 a bale cheaper. Notwithstanding this break, there was little excitement about the Cotton Exchange at the close, and no fear was expressed that any of the local cotton

expressed that any of the local cotton firms would fail. At the opening process broke sharply, March going off 100 points from yesterday's close to 15.50. Prominent buils supported the market and prices recovered. Toward hoon the market became cullet and uninteresting, and the general cpinion was that the trend of prices would continue upward.

Soon after the noon hour, and while many brokes were at kinch, a telegram was received from Chicago by a wire house, saying that cables had been received there telling of the declaration of war between Japan and Russin.

Values commenced to slide swiftly downward, and in five minutes time the ring was in a panic. The general desire was to sell, no matter what price the cotton offered for saxs brought.

The combination pit and ring at the Cotton Exchange was an amphitheatre of struggling, yelling humanity, wild with anxiety, and their fears appeared to be all the greater because they were not exactly aware of what they were

to be all the greater because they were not exactly aware of what they were afraid of. Hundreds of thousands of bales of cotton were thrown into the ring and the seters exceeded buyers ten to one.

This mad seene lasted until well on toward the close of the market, when the ring finally had a sold out appearance. At this stage the bull leaders again took a hand in the operations, and by buying everything offered and by strenuous b'dding quickly sent prices up rifty points. The market, however, had a weak undertone, and prices again sagged toward the close. At the closing prices were from 147 to 188 points lower sagged toward the close. At the closing prices were from 147 to 185 points lower than the close of yesterday. On the curb the weaknass continued, and at the close of the curb trading prices were again at about the lowest levels of the day. At the lowest levels, March was 186 points lower than the close of yesterday, at 14.00; May was 185 points lower, at 15.45, and July was 185 points lower, at 15.76.

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(By Associated Press., NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—The utmost confusion and excitement attended the opening of the cotion market again to-day. The buillsh utterances from New Orleans yosterday and the report that New Orleans buills had placed unlimited buying orders in the local pit just before the close of business last night had led many to believe that to-day would witness a resumption of the recent upward trend of values. It seemed, however, that it was New Orleans against the world, for this morning Liverpool, instead of advancing as expected, reported a decline of 20 to 26 points under Egyptian and continental selling. This led to a weak opening here with first prices at a decline of 41 to 59 points on the old and of 15 to 20 points on the market was much less active after it had rallied a little more tian half a cent on the active months. The New Orleans crowd seemed ready to support prices on any signs of returning weakness, but did not appear to be operating aggressively for a further advance.

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or more than a cent a pound below last night's close. The late selling was pre-cipitated by rumors that war had actual-ly been declared between Russia and Japan. This rumor caused the utmost confusion and its effect showed the ex-tremely sensitive state of the cotton mar-ket at this time.

Report Declared Untrue.

Considerable of a sitr has been created among the negro population of the city by the circulation of a report against the stability of the True Reformers. Bank, colored. The tendency of the story is to cause a panic among the depositors. The officials of the institution declare the report to be slanderous and antrue. They have offered 550 for the detection of the authors of the rumor.

'Squire Robertson Here. 'Squire W. B. Robertson, of Sativille, Washington county, prominent in his section of the State, is in the city, stopping, at Murphy's.

Skating Was Fine. operating aggressively for a further advance.

Shortly before the close there was another violent break in prices, the May option selling down to a price 118 points,